

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the status of the claims to that as indicated below:

Claims 1-19 (canceled)

20. (currently amended) A method of playing a collateral wagering game in combination with a standard wagering game, the method comprising the steps of:

making a wager by a player for participating in a standard wagering game;

making [[a]] an additional wager by [[a]] the player on an outcome of the standard wagering game, said additional wager by said player being optional for with said player also participating in [[the]] a collateral wagering game;

determining whether the outcome of the standard wagering game comprises a winning outcome for said player, wherein a prize amount for the standard wagering game is determined when the winning outcome is achieved in the standard wagering game, said player being capable of having the winning outcome in the standard wagering game and receiving said prize amount for the standard wagering game without having to place said additional wager for participating in the collateral wagering game;

allocating a prize value to the collateral wagering game based upon the winning outcome in the standard wagering game;

determining a total prize value for said player in the collateral wagering game when said player has made said additional wager for participating in the collateral wagering game; and,

paying said player said prize amount as determined in the standard wagering

game and said total prize value for the collateral wagering game said player is entitled to receive.

21. (previously presented) The method of playing a collateral wagering game in combination with a standard wagering game according to Claim 20, wherein said step of determining the total prize value for said player in the collateral wagering game comprises the step of multiplying the prize value allocated to the collateral wagering game by a number of winning shares said player has in the collateral wagering game.

22. (currently amended) A method of playing a collateral wagering game in combination with a standard wagering game, the method comprising the steps of:

making a wager by a player on an outcome of [[the]] a standard wagering game, with said player having an option of also participating in [[the]] a collateral wagering game, said player being capable of having a winning outcome in the standard wagering game, and receiving a prize amount for having the winning outcome in the standard wagering game, without having to exercise the option of also participating in the collateral wagering game;

determining whether the outcome of the standard wagering game comprises [[a]] the winning outcome for said player, wherein [[a]] the prize amount for the standard wagering game is determined when the winning outcome is achieved in the standard wagering game;

allocating a prize value to the collateral wagering game based upon a parameter associated with the standard wagering game when the winning outcome is achieved in the

standard wagering game;

determining a total prize amount for said player; and,

paying said player said total prize amount said player is entitled to receive.

23. (previously presented) The method of playing a collateral wagering game in combination with a standard wagering game according to Claim 22, wherein said step for determining said total prize amount for said player comprises adding the prize amount won by said player in said standard wagering game to said prize value in said collateral wagering game multiplied by a number of winning shares owned by said player in the collateral wagering game.

24. (currently amended) A method of playing a collateral wagering game in combination with a standard wagering game, the method comprising the steps of:

making a wager by a player on an outcome of [[the]] a standard wagering game, with said player having an option of making an additional wager for also participating in the collateral wagering game;

determining whether the outcome of the standard wagering game comprises a winning outcome for said player, wherein a prize amount for the standard wagering game is determined when the winning outcome is achieved in the standard wagering game, said player being capable of having the winning outcome in the standard wagering game, and receiving said prize amount for having the winning outcome in the standard wagering game, without having to exercise the option of making said additional wager for participating in the collateral wagering game;

allocating a prize value to the collateral wagering game based upon a parameter associated with the standard wagering game when the winning outcome is achieved in the standard wagering game;

determining a total prize amount for said player, said total prize amount being based, at least in part, upon said prize amount for the standard wagering game; and, paying said player said total prize amount said player is entitled to receive.

25. (previously presented) The method of playing a collateral wagering game in combination with a standard wagering game according to Claim 24, wherein said step for determining said total prize amount for said player comprises adding the prize amount won by said player in said standard wagering game to said prize value in said collateral wagering game multiplied by a number of winning shares owned by said player in the collateral wagering game.

26. (currently amended) A method of playing a collateral group participation wagering game in combination with a standard individual participation wagering game, the method comprising the steps of:

forming a group comprised of a plurality of entrants wherein each of said entrants has made a wager on an outcome of [[the]] a standard individual participation wagering game and, by exercising an option available to each of said entrants, electing to make an additional wager to participate in the collateral group participation wagering game, each of said entrants not making said additional wager would not participate in the collateral group participation wagering game;

determining whether a winning outcome is achieved in the standard individual participation wagering game wherein if a winning outcome is achieved in the standard individual participation game, an individual prize amount is determined, each of said entrants being capable of having the winning outcome in the standard individual participation wagering game, and receiving said individual prize amount for having the winning outcome in the standard individual participation game, without having to exercise the option of making said additional wager for participating in the collateral group participation wagering game;

allocating a prize value to the collateral group participation wagering game based upon a parameter associated with the standard individual participation wagering game when the winning outcome is achieved in the standard individual participation wagering game;

determining a total prize amount for each of said entrants, said total prize amount being based, at least in part, upon said individual prize amount for the standard individual participation wagering game; and,

paying each of said entrants said total prize amount said each of said entrants is entitled to receive.

27. (currently amended) The method of playing a collateral group participation wagering game in combination with a standard individual participation wagering game according to Claim [[25]] 26, wherein said step for determining said total prize amount for each of said entrants comprises adding the individual prize amount won by each of said entrants in said standard individual participation wagering game to said prize

value in said collateral group participation wagering game multiplied by a number of winning shares owned by each of said entrants in the collateral group participation wagering game.